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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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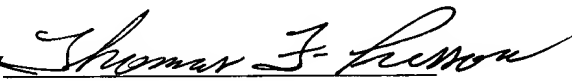P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, which

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Statement of Reasons for Allowance states, implies or is construed to mean that the claims are

allowable over the prior art of record because the Examiner believes the claims should be

interpreted to include one or more features or limitations not recited therein, Applicants' attorney

disagrees with such an interpretation. Moreover, it is Applicants' contention that there is no

particular limitation in the allowed claims that is more critical than any other. The issuance of

the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be construed as a surrender by

Applicants of any subject matter. It is the intent of Applicants, by their attorney, to construe the

allowed claims so as to cover the invention disclosed in the instant application and all

equivalents to which the claimed invention is entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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